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Form 603

Corporations Act 2001 Section 671B

Notice of initial substantial holder

Foster's Group Limited (FGL)

ACN/ARSN

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1. Details of substantial holder

Barclays Group lodged by Barclays Global Investors Australia Limited

33 001 804 566 (Barclays Global Investors Australia Limited) ABN

The holder became a substantial holder on 03 March 2009.

2. Details of voting power

The total number of votes attached to all the voting shares in the company or voting interests in the scheme that the substantial holder an associate had a relevant interest on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

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Ordinary	96,698,867	96,698,867	5.02%

3. Details of relevant Interests

The nature of the relevant interest the substantial holder had in the following voting securities on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

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Bardays Group	Fund Manager – see Annexure A	Ordinary 96,698,867

4. Details of present registered holders

The persons registered as holder of the securities referred to in paragraph 3 above are as follows:

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Barclays Group	JP Morgan & other custodians – see Annexure A	Ordinary 96,698,867

5. Consideration

The consideration paid for each relevant interest referred to in paragraph 3 above, and acquired in the four months prior to the day that the substantial holder became a substantial holder is as follows:

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Barclays Group		Average price \$5,445	Ordinary 96,698,867

6. Addresses

The addresses of persons named in this form are as follows:

Barclays Global Investors Australia Limited	Level 43, 225 George Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Signature

Company Secretary Barclays Global Investors Australia 6 March 2009 Date

This is "Annexure A" of 1 page referred to in Form 603 Notice of initial substantial holder

Relevant Interest in Foster's Group Limited (FGL) held by members of the Barclays Group.

The list of Barclays entities and their respective holdings are as follows:

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FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Global Investors Japan Ltd	4,607,729	0.24
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Bank (Suisse) SA	13,540	-
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Global Investors Ltd	6,381,183	0.33
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Global Investors Ltd	7,679,136	0.40
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Life Assurance Co Ltd	556,805	0.03
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Bank Trust Company Ltd	6,277	•
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Gerrard Investment Management Ltd	3,000	-
FGL	Faster's Group Limited	Gerrard Investment Management Ltd	28,999	-
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Global Investors, N.A.	22,723,416	1.18
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Global Fund Advisors	16,496,571	0.86
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Capital Securities Ltd	2,888,277	0.15
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Global Investors Canada Ltd	278,984	0.01
FGL	Foster's Group Limited	Barclays Global Investors Australia Ltd	35,034,950	1.82
			96,698,867	5.02

The JP Morgan Chase Bank Inc. and various other custodians (Custodians) hold shares in FGL as custodian and for which the Barclays Group are either:

- the responsible entity or trustee of pooled investment products such as registered managed investment schemes (Funds); or
- the investment manager of Portfolios held for a number of institutional investors. The institutional investors are generally superannuation funds regulated under the Superannuation Industry Supervision Act 1993.

The holding of shares in FGL was acquired as part of the wide portfolio of Australian shares and units acquired for the Funds and the Portfolios.

The members of the Barclays Group and the Custodians may hold relevant interests due to the capacity of these entities to dispose of the shares in FGL.

Each investor in a Fund owns an undivided interest in the Fund's assets, no client directly owns any asset of the Fund. The unitholding of each Fund varies from time to time as clients enter and withdraw from the Funds. The various institutional investors with portfolios delegate the management of the portfolios to the members of the Barclays Group.

	6 March 2009
Company Secretary	Date
Barclays Global Investors Australia	

